

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 8 are currently pending in the application. Claims 1 through 8 have been amended. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application as amended herein.

Claims 1 through 8 have been amended to replace the term "said" with the like term "the," to place the claims in more colloquial English.

Claim 1 has been amended to patentably define over the Levine et al. reference, and specifically to recite the relative dimensionality of the claimed resistive layer with respect to the elongated conductive structure and of the claimed insulative layer with respect to the underlying resistive layer. Applicant respectfully submits that claim 1, as presently amended, is clearly patentably distinct from, and not anticipated by, the Levine et al. reference.

Claims 2 and 3 have been amended to enhance antecedent basis.

Claim 8 has been amended to patentably define over the Levine et al. reference, and specifically to recite the relationship of the lateral dimensions of the insulating layer to the underlying column lines. Applicant respectfully submits that claim 8, as presently amended, is clearly patentably distinct from, and not anticipated by, the Levine et al. reference.

Claims 9 through 11, depending from claim 8, have been added to more fully characterize the invention.

Claim 12, depending from claim 1, has been added to more fully characterize the invention.

Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant wishes to draw the Examiner's attention to the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith and listing additional references of record in the parent application hereto.

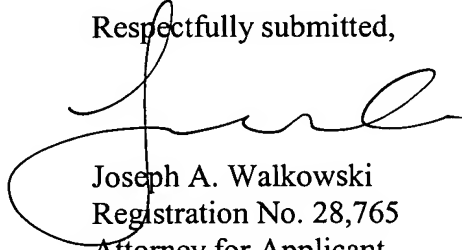
ENTRY OF AMENDMENTS

The amendments to claims 1 through 8 above, and new claims 9 through 12, should be entered by the Examiner because the amendments are supported by the as-filed specification and drawings and do not add any new matter to the application.

CONCLUSION

Claims 1 through 12 are believed to be in condition for allowance, and an early notice thereof is respectfully solicited. Should the Examiner determine that additional issues remain which might be resolved by a telephone conference, he is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney.

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